

## THE OSAGE CITY TORNADO.

OSAGE CITY, Kan., April 19.—Yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock the city was visited by a very destructive tornado, five miles long. For a short time before it struck ominous clouds hovered overhead, and a low, heavy fog came down, and a cold, cutting wind began to blow. And such was the case. The storm, after wrecking the entire north end of the city, seems to have divided, one part going to the southwest and the other to the southeast. Various theories, however, exist with reference to the direction of the wind. Some think that two or three tornadoes approached at the same time. A ride over the scene of destruction and devastation would give one the idea that its course was very irregular. In the northeastern portion of the city, where the greatest damage was done, one house would be left standing, while the surrounding residences were completely blown to splinters. Furniture, clothing, and everything pertaining to housekeeping could be seen, intermingled with boards, lath, plaster, brick and building material, all in a mass of debris. Trees, barns, fences and outbuildings were scattered in every direction.

In the northwestern part of the city the destruction of property was great. Several houses were blown down and several loaded cars were blown from the switches near the Missouri Pacific depot. It is estimated that over forty buildings were entirely demolished, while fully one-half of the buildings in the city were damaged. The amount of the loss will run away up into the thousands, but cannot easily be estimated at this time. It is almost a miracle that few lives were killed and injured. Following is a list of the killed and injured:

Mrs. Anderson Wagner, killed instantly. Anderson Wagner, severely injured; cannot recover.

Mrs. J. H. Heckard, arm broken and internal injuries.

J. H. Heckard, hip broken.

Joseph Bacon, ribs broken.

A child of N. P. Larson, severely scalded.

A child of John Swanson, scalp cut and generally lacerated.

Mrs. Connors, severe cut over left eye.

A little daughter of Eli Connors, severe internal injuries.

A son of John Swanson, scalp wound.

Emile Georgia, scalp wound.

Morgan Williams, scalp wound.

Mrs. Minnie Maher, severely scalded.

Mrs. Archie Gauder, severely bruised.

A child of N. Nelson, badly hurt.

D. L. Williams, back hurt.

Mrs. Heckard, scalp wound.

Many others were slightly hurt.

Two children were carried a distance of 100 feet, but were unhurt.

A meeting was held today to provide means for the relief of the homeless and destitute.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 19.—News were received here today of a fearful tornado that swept down the Fourche valley in Scott county a few days ago, leaving death and havoc in its wake. The news of the terrible destruction was delayed on account of the absence of railroad and telegraphic communication where it occurred. The town of Little Rock, situated northeast of Dallas, Potts county, was almost swept off the earth. Buildings, out-houses and fences were blown half a mile and scattered in every direction. Trees were uprooted and carried in front of the storm. A number of lives were lost, but a correct list cannot be obtained.

A STOCK-JOBBER'S REPORT.

NEW YORK, April 19.—When shown the statement of John Blessing of Gayland, Blessing & Co., brokers, of St. Louis, that the Missouri Pacific had been put in the hands of a receiver, and that the floating debt of the company was \$7,000,000 more than its books showed, George J. Gould today said:

"There is not a word of truth in the statement. There is to be no receiver appointed, and the Missouri Pacific is only \$4,000,000, all of which is carried by Russell Sage and myself."

Russell Sage said of Mr. Blessing's statement:

"There is absolutely no foundation for the statement about the Missouri Pacific. There is no occasion for a receiver for the company, and there will be none. The company's statement tells the truth about the floating debt. The stock is attacked by the bears, who were short and want to cover."

CHICAGO, April 19.—The passenger agents and general managers of the Western Passenger association are in deep trouble. It is only six weeks before the time when tickets to the world's fair are to be placed on sale, and no agreement has been reached as yet upon rates. There is, moreover, a vast amount of ill feeling among the passenger agents, and it is more than probable that the reorganization of the association will follow.

KANSAS CITY, April 19.—At the annual meeting of the New York Central and Hudson River railway stockholders held today about \$65,000,000 of the stock was reacquired. The old board of directors was re-elected, except that Samuel D. Babcock was elected to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Cyrus W. Field. Besides electing directors, it was voted to authorize an increase in the capital stock of the company from \$88,248,000 to \$100,000,000, and to authorize the acquisition of the New York and Northern railway.

PRESBYTERIAN REVISION.

ST. LOUIS, April 19.—An important matter before the annual meeting today of the St. Louis presbytery was the reading of the report of the committee to which was referred the overtures of the general assembly on the revision of the Westminster confession. The report was against revision. The committee recommended that the proposed changes should be made, and although they were gratified to see that in some respects the general assembly adhered to the ancient doctrines of the Presbyterian church, they were pained to report that in some respects the overtures betrayed a manifest deterioration. The signatures of the report were unanimous against the proposed changes. The presbytery accepted the report, but will later decide whether to reject the overtures in whole or simply to ignore them.

LYNCHED.

MOBILE, Ala., April 19.—The special grand jury convened at a adjournment of the term of the circuit court yesterday indicted Flannigan Thornton, for murder in the second degree. The public, disappointed at the result, said that the jury had been about midnight and strung him up on Main street.

STICK HEADACHE YIELDS TO BEECHAM'S.

KANSAS CITY, April 19.—Dispatches from the central, the southeastern and the eastern half of western Kansas, the section of the state where the wheat crop has suffered greatly for want of rain, state that a soaking rain has fallen, beginning at 2 o'clock, and continuing until 10 o'clock, but all the crops will be put in fine condition.

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## SATOLLI'S AUTHORITY QUESTIONED.

NEW YORK, April 19.—An order issued by Vice Chancellor Bird of Trenton, N. J., requiring Father Leary of Swedesboro, to show cause why he should not be enjoined from interfering with Father Leahy in carrying out his functions as priest of the parish, was returnable yesterday. Father Leahy was on hand and filed an answer. He maintained that the decision of Monsignor Satolli was not conclusive, and that he had appealed to Rome. When the vice chancellor heard this he said that he would not decide between the two priests, and ordered an adjournment for two weeks, to enable Father Leahy to secure such evidence as he might need to support his contention. Father Leahy, counsel for Father Leahy, said that he would at once proceed to Washington to secure such evidence as he might need to support his contention. When the testimony is secured the vice chancellor will then have to decide the question which has caused so much contention in the Catholic church of America, namely, whether Monsignor Satolli has absolute power over all Catholic church affairs in this country.

## STIMULATE THE BLOOD.

Brandish's pills are the great blood purifier. They are a purgative and blood tonic, they act equally on the bowels, the kidneys and the skin, thus cleaning the system by the natural outlet of the body. They may be called the purgative sudorific and diuretic medicine. They stimulate the blood so as to enable nature to throw off all morbid humors, and cure disease no matter by what name it may be called. One or two of them taken every night will prove an infallible remedy.

Sold in every drug and medicine store, either plain or sugar coated.

## KANSAS INSURANCE SUITS.

TOPEKA, Kan., April 19.—In answer to a request made by S. H. Salder, state superintendent of insurance, Attorney General Little has rendered an opinion to the effect that the insurance companies have no right to remove a case from the state to federal courts. The attorney general says:

"We are of the opinion that the superintendent of insurance is not authorized to remove a case from the state court to a federal court. It is a serious blow to insurance companies and will probably be tested in the supreme court."

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## WEATHER BULLETIN.

WEATHER BUREAU, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WICHITA, Kan., April 19, 1993. Forecast for Wichita and vicinity—Colder and clearing tonight; colder and fair Thursday morning; fair with rising temperature Thursday afternoon.

During the past twenty-four hours the highest temperature was 49, the lowest 33, and the mean 41, with colder, cloudy weather and 17 inch of rain, high north wind, 33 miles per hour at 3 p. m.

One year ago today was cold and rainy. Thus far in April the average temperature has been 50.

For the past four years the average temperature for the month of April has been 57° and for the 19th day 57°.

FRED L. JOHNSON, Observer.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—Following is the forecast up to 8 p. m. Thursday:

For Kansas—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Missouri—Occasional local showers during early morning in eastern portion; northwesterly gales; very much colder in eastern portion.

For Nebraska—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Iowa—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Illinois—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Indiana—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Ohio—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Michigan—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Wisconsin—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Minnesota—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For North Dakota—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For South Dakota—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Nebraska—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Kansas—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Oklahoma—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Texas—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Louisiana—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Mississippi—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

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For Florida—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

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For West Virginia—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Maryland—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Delaware—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Pennsylvania—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

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For New Hampshire—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Maine—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For New Brunswick—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Nova Scotia—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Prince Edward Island—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Newfoundland—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

For Labrador—Fair; diminishing north winds; slightly colder.

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## EXPLODED ON THE LAKE.

DETROIT, April 19.—It is reported that a steamer exploded on Lake St. Clair this morning. Several persons are said to have been killed.

DETROIT, Mich., April 19.—A shocking disaster, resulting in the death of two men, the probable fatal injury of a third, and the severe scalding of another, occurred on Lake St. Clair, about 10 o'clock this morning.

The "straight-back" steamer "Cleveland," owned by W. W. Smith, coal-laden from Cleveland to Milwaukee, was entering the lake, when the cylinder head blew out. The dead are Nelson Chambers, the cook, and C. Jones, a fireman. E. P. Thompson, an oiler, was badly burned about the hands and head and in the mouth and throat from inhaling steam. His recovery is doubtful. Engineer F. Smith was badly scalded about the hands. The immense iron hull shook from stem to stern with the shock, and as the engine ceased working the vessel came to under the strong wind prevailing.

Captain Smith immediately ordered the anchor dropped